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Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305) Food and Drug Administration 5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061 Rockville, MD 20852

RE: Docket Numbers 98N-1230, 96P-0418, 97P-0197

Dear Sir or Madam,

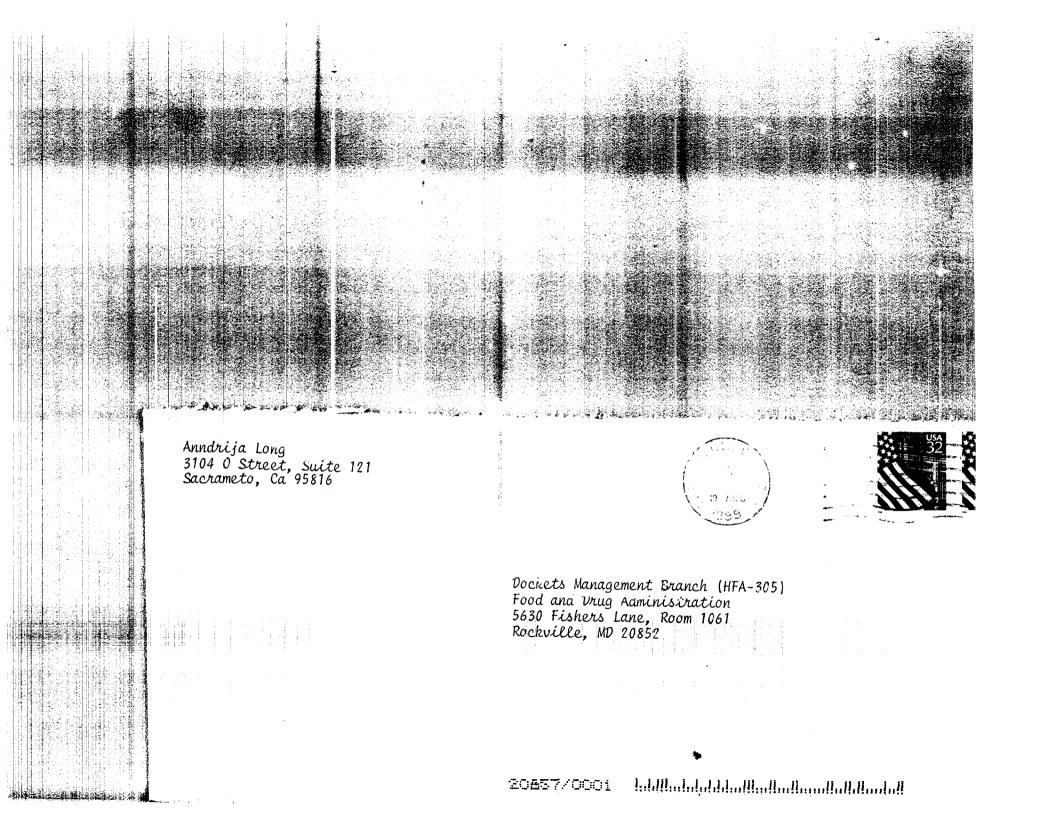
I am writing to you today to ask for your help. The FDA must do more than put Bacteria warning labels on egg cartons and regulate egg refrigeration temperatures. There is more that needs to be done. For example, prohibit the practice of forced molting. This process has been scientifically proven to promote disease in hens by destroying their immune systems. The FDA has jurisdiction to ban such practices that injure human health, such as forced molting. You must take appropriate measures to stop forces molting. It is a primary cause of infectious diseases in hens and eggs. I have heard so much about this, I refuse to buy eggs anymore. I now by the egg substitute. The FDA was petitioned in April of 1998 to ban forced molting. I feel that this petition should be granted without further delay. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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